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QUOTE

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CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, PINT, SF

SUBJECT: ANOTHER DETAINEE DEATH

1. PRESS HAS REPORTED THAT SAMUEL MALINGA, 45,  
WHO HAD BEEN DETAINED IN SOWETO ON JANUARY 31 AND HELD BY  
SECURITY POLICE UNDER SECTION 60F TERRORISM ACT,  
DIED OF NATURAL CAUSES FEBRUARY 22 WHILE IN POLICE  
CUSTODY AT EDENDALE HOSPITAL, NATAL. MALINGA, WHO  
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WAS DETAINED IN 1963 FOR THREE MONTHS, WAS PICKED  
UP OUTSIDE HIS HOME AT 2 A.M. BY SEVEN POLICEMEN  
WHO SEARCHED HIS HOME AND TOOK HIM AWAY WITHOUT  
TELLING WIFE WHERE HE WOULD BE HELD. WIFE  
SUBSEQUENTLY DISCOVERED HE WAS BEING HELD IN  
PIETERMARITZBURG BUT WAS REFUSED PERMISSION TO VISIT  
HIM. ON FEBRUARY 22 SHE WAS TOLD HER HUSBAND HAD

BEEN ADMITTED TO EDENDALE HOSPITAL BUT THAT SHE  
COULD NOT VISIT HIM UNTIL MARCH 3. MRS. MALINGA  
THEN CONTACTED MRS. HARRY OPPENHEIMER (A FORMER  
EMPLOYER) WHO ARRANGED PERMISSION FOR A VISIT. HOWEVER  
ON FEB. 23 MRS. MALINGA WAS ADVISED OF HUSBAND'S  
DEATH.

2. COL. J.G.DREYER, DIVISIONAL COMMANDER  
OF SECURITY POLICE IN NATAL, TOLD PRESS THAT  
MALINGA, WHO COMPLAINED OF HEART CONDITION ON  
ARRIVAL IN PIETERMARITZBURG AND WHO HAD PILLS  
WITH HIM, DIED OF A PULMONARY EMBOLISM. PRESS  
SUBSEQUENTLY QUOTED MRS. MALINGA AS SAYING HUSBAND  
WAS VERY HEALTHY MAN, TOOK NO PILLS, AND DID NOT SUFFER  
FROM HEART COMPLAINT. HOWEVER, PROFESSOR I.  
GORDON, HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FORENSIC MEDICINE  
AT NATAL UNIVERSITY, WHO CARRIED OUT THE POST  
MORTEM, CONFIRMED ON FEBRUARY 25 THAT MALINGA HAD  
IN FACT DIED OF NATURAL CAUSES, SPECIFICALLY  
"CHRONIC HEART DISEASE COMPLICATED BY LUNG CHANGES",  
AND OPINED DETENTION HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH  
MALINGA'S DEATH.FARBER.  
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